

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Tokiwa et al.  
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CONTROLLING AGENT, PROCESS  
FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND  
EXTERNAL PREPARATION  
CONTAINING THE SAME  
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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 8, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.